

ROUTINE LAWN FEEDING GUIDE



BURY HILL
LANDSCAPE SUPPLIES



FEEDING YOUR LAWN THROUGH THE YEAR

Whether you are laying new turf or maintaining an established lawn, feeding your lawn is a very important part of annual routine lawn care. Knowing what to feed and when is just as important and with so many different lawn products available, each promising different things, it can be very confusing indeed! This guide will help you to understand what to feed, when and why.

WHAT IS LAWN FEED?

The principal ingredients of good lawn fertilisers are a combination of nitrogen (N), phosphorus (P) and potassium (K). These are the essential nutrients which the grass uses up quickly and which need replenishing. But what do they actually do?

- Nitrogen helps to promote sturdy plants, giving strong shoots and leaves and dense growth which helps to reduce competition from weeds
- Phosphorus helps the grass to establish and grow strong root systems.
- Potassium reduces the impact of stress on the plant by giving it resistance to drought, disease, wear and tear and cold weather.

HOW TO CHOOSE LAWN FEED

When you think about our British weather, it is obvious that your grass will need these nutrients in different proportions at different times of the year. The ideal ratio also depends on the type of lawn

you have – fescue and bent combination or principally ryegrass. Most domestic laws are a combination of fescue and bent species, and below we consider the different seasonal needs your grass may have.

WHAT SHOULD I FEED MY LAWN IN SPRING?

Around March time, you should give your lawn a spring feed. The weather is warming up and your grass is beginning to grow more strongly, so it will need a feed that contains plenty of nitrogen to support growth above the soil. And if you are scarifying your lawn, do this first and feed afterwards once you have removed the moss and debris using a good spring/summer feed.

WHAT SUMMER LAWN FEED SHOULD I USE?

Your lawn will definitely need a summer feed. With the stronger sunshine and drier conditions, it is important not to scorch the grass with the fertiliser. This means avoiding feeding your lawn with high iron or sand content. The best feeds are granular, so in the summer you might need to be ready to water your feed in if there is no rain imminent.

Our Vivid Green Spring & Summer Feed has been formulated to maintain healthy root and shoot growth throughout the spring and summer heat.

More info over >



DOES MY LAWN NEED AN AUTUMN GRASS FEED?

The answer is yes – but as the weather begins to turn colder, your grass needs some extra help to keep the root system strong and healthy. This is why good autumn and winter feeds are lower in nitrogen but still have plenty of phosphates and potassium.

IS IT NECESSARY TO FEED MY LAWN IN WINTER?

A winter feed can really help your lawn to remain healthy and strong through the toughest season, ready for a burst of growth in spring. Our Rejuvenator Autumn & Winter Lawn Feed has just the right ratio of key nutrients to help your grass resist the ravages of pests, diseases and frost damage.

HOW MUCH FERTILISER DO I NEED?

You should always be guided by the instructions on the packet, but as a general rule, 2kg will feed 100 square metres of lawn. It is a good idea to plan a feed every 6-8 weeks in the growing season i.e. between April and September.

ABOUT OUR TURF LAWN FEEDS

All our turf is grown using the very best lawn fertilisers. Working with plant nutrition specialists, our turf partners have created a unique range of lawn feeds so that you can treat your own lawn to the same high standards. Being designed and developed with the entire lawn environment in mind, our feeds are not just good for your grass; by keeping the microscopic soil-inhabiting creatures happy, our Turf fertilisers actually help your lawn to absorb more carbon dioxide from the air, doing its bit to counter global warming. That's why feeding your lawn with our feed is highly recommended!

In addition to our feeds, we also provide a Rapid Roots Pre-Turfing & Seeding Feed which is ideal for adding to your prepared soil before laying your new lawn.

CAN I USE COMBINED FEED AND WEED LAWN FEEDS?

A single product that does two jobs sounds too good to be true. And the truth is that these combined 'feed 'n' weed' options will never give you quite as good a result as separate products.

Whilst a healthy lawn doesn't leave much room for weeds, getting your lawn nutrition right is not the same as applying a weed control chemical. Each needs its own optimum type of application, at the correct time and in the correct volumes. So, for good lawn care, choose a good fertiliser and, if necessary, select a good weed killer – and follow their instructions carefully.



BURY HILL
LANDSCAPE SUPPLIES